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SENATE BILL 534

**48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2008**

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ATTORNEY,  
ADVOCATE AND PARALEGAL TO TRAVEL THROUGHOUT THE STATE OFFERING  
BASIC LEGAL SERVICES AS WELL AS OUTREACH AND EDUCATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. APPROPRIATION.--Two hundred fifty thousand  
dollars (\$250,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the  
local government division of the department of finance and  
administration for expenditure in fiscal year 2009 to pay for a  
full-time domestic violence attorney, advocate and paralegal  
based in Bernalillo county at a nonprofit agency that offers  
comprehensive domestic violence services throughout the state.  
The attorney shall take the "have justice, will travel" program  
into rural areas, coordinating with local domestic violence  
providers and district attorneys and preparing legal forms as

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1 well as initiating a three-year plan to make domestic violence  
2 victims aware of the available legal services. Any unexpended  
3 or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year  
4 2009 shall revert to the general fund.

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